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ANTI-STALIN PLOT BY HIGH SOVIET LEADERS.

SWIFT ACTION BY THE DICTATOR.

GENERAL BLUCHER-GALEN AMONG ARRESTED.

SYRZOF'S MISTAKE.

A series of sensational arrests has been made in Moscow following the unearthing of a plot to effect the downfall of M. Stalin, the Soviet Dictator. Some of the leading members of the Red Government are now in custody, including General Blucher-Galen, whose activities in Canton and China in connection with the First Northern Expedition will be well remembered.

Berlin, Nov. 18.

It is reported from Moscow that following the recent arrest of M. Syrzof, the former Premier of the Soviet Republic, as a result of a bitter attack made by him on M. Stalin, a widespread conspiracy against M. Stalin has been discovered.

A National Hero.

A number of leading Communists were suddenly arrested, those now in custody including M. Andreyev, who is a member of the Supreme Military Council, and General V. Blucher-Galen, who until recently has been feted as a national hero for his victory over the Chinese in the Chinese Eastern Railway conflict in Manchuria.

Alleged Leader.

M. Andreyev, the People's Commissar of Posts and Telegraphs, is alleged to be at the head of a conspiracy, though up to the present there is no report of his arrest.

A number of leading Russian military officers now under arrest are also believed to be involved in the plot.—*Reuter*.

General Blucher-Galen.

General Blucher-Galen, who claims to be a direct descendant of the famous Marshal Blucher, of Waterloo days, was a member of secret revolutionary organisations in Russia long before the war, though he became a non-communist officer in the Tsarist Army during the early part of the campaign.

After the revolution, he proved himself a brilliant cavalry leader, and was sent by the Soviet Government to Orenburg with a picked force to drive out the White Russian General Dutow.

In 1921 he fought in the campaign against General von Unger-Sternberg and Admiral Kolchak, later being entrusted with the task of reorganising the Red Army.

Career in China.

He turned up in China in 1926 under the name of General Galen, as military adviser to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and the successor of the Nationalist army at that time are ascribed to him...

He planned the operation which led to the fall of Tsinghao and Kial-fong and brought the Southern Chinese to the gates of Peking.

After relations between Moscow and the Nationalist Government were broken off in 1927, he returned to Moscow, via Mongolia, coming to the fore again in 1929 as Commander-in-Chief of the Red Army in the Far East.

THE UNREST IN SPAIN.

BARCELONA SITUATION NOW IMPROVING.

Madrid, Nov. 19.

After a two-days' general strike, in which four people were killed and 12 injured, the situation in Barcelona is improving. Shops are re-opening, and the trams are running.

The strike movement is, however, spreading in Alicante, where the police are guarding public buildings, and where no newspapers are being published.—*Reuter*.

POSSIBLE NANKING CHANGES.

MR. T. V. SOONG MAY RESIGN FINANCE MINISTRY.

LIKELY SUCCESSOR.

Shanghai, Nov. 18. Important changes in the personnel of the National Government, including the resignation of the Finance Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, and the suggested appointment of Mr. H. H. Kung, (the Minister of Industry and Labour) as new Finance Minister, are under consideration by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and General Chang Hsueh-ling.

The contemplated changes arise in connexion with the elaborate programme of Marshal Chiang to reorganise the National Government.

With the announcement of the possible appointment of Mr. H. H. Kung it seems that the original Manchurian proposal for the appointment of a Manchurian official, Mr. Li Se-ho, as Finance Minister, has been ruled out.

Chinese telegrams say that Mr. T. V. Soong will be appointed to lead an important mission to Europe representing the Nationalist Government with a view to furthering the industrial development of China. The exact nature of this mission has not been revealed. It is interesting to note that by reason of his marriage to the sister of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's second wife, Mr. H. H. Kung is related to the President and to his predecessor in the Finance Ministry.

At the suggestion of General Chang Hsueh-ling the Nanking Government will probably shortly announce the appointment of Mr. Wang Shu-kan, a Manchurian Government official, as Minister for Home Affairs. It is understood that another Manchurian appointee will fill one of the other vacant portfolios. With the finalisation of the Manchurian mission, the man most likely to succeed Mr. Li Se-ho as Finance Minister will be the chairman.

Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, counsel for Pun Chi-ling, the accused girl, contended that the evidence was not admissible because it had been given in consequence of a threat of imprisonment if it were not given.

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Made Before Arrest.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy offered the evidence given by accused at Taipo Police Court against Tang Yung, widow of the murdered man, who is also charged with the murder and whose case will probably commence to-morrow morning.

Counsel explained that the evidence was given when accused was a Crown witness, and before she became an accused.

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FEDERATED INDIAN STATES.

IDEA SWEEPS THROUGH CONFERENCE.

UNANIMOUS SUPPORT OF PLAN EXHIBITED SO FAR.

LORD PEEL'S SUPPORT.

SOME SORT of Federal Union between the Indian States and the Provinces would probably be so fruitful that it would lay down the foundations of a Federal system.

A statement to this effect was the most important contribution to yesterday's discussion at the Conference as it came from Lord Peel, former Conservative Secretary of State for India, and the principal Conservative member of the British delegation. Earlier on, he had counselled against precipitancy, and thought that it would satisfy present conditions if the Provinces were granted full autonomy, as contemplated by the Simon Commission, the Central Government to be left unchanged while the Provinces were settling down.

Sir Hubert Carr, speaking for the Europeans in British India, favoured the Federal idea, but warned against too rapid changes.

Yesterday was the day of the Conservatives. The Maharaja of Rowa said that the States did not desire Federation if it meant the destruction of all that the States stood for.

The delegations are now selecting their representatives for the Federal Relations Committee, of which Mr. Wedgwood Benn will be the chairman.

SHORTEST AND QUICKEST WAY.

London, Nov. 18. Dramatic speeches marked the resumption of the general discussion at the Round Table Conference at the India Federation.

The Maharajah of Alwar visualised a "United States of India" within the Empire, and made it quite clear that the Indian States sought no new territories or powers, but a practical application of their treaties and alliance.

Extra rights outside the treaties, should be frankly and openly discussed and decided only by mutual consent.

As regards British India, there were two alternatives, the "Eastern" or the "Western" conception. By the first, British India might again be formed into India States and that would bring Swaraj considerably nearer and perpetuate the link with the Crown.

"It would be the shortest, and quickest way to Dominio Status."

As regards Western conception, the Maharajah said that the one word "franchise" alone originated communal friction. It created complexities in adjusting the future relations of democratic India with the Indian States.

He thought that India should arrive at a situation of fully blossomed Dominion Status as early as possible and his aim in saying so was that the larger Empire might find grateful India co-operating wholeheartedly in making the Empire to which they were proud to belong something even greater.

Sleeping Sickness."

Sir Muhammad Shahi, a Punjab Moslem, said that since Lord Meadley's vision in 1923, of India of the future demanding European institutions, the British Parliament had succumbed to sleeping sickness and its tardy measures at long intervals, instead of, on the contrary, giving a further impetus to India aspirations.

He was of the opinion that if a solution satisfying to the legitimate aspirations of India was not reached, there would be grave dangers. "I tremble to think what the situation would be," he said.

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British Tory View.

Lord Peel, the principle Tory member of the British delegation and the first of that delegation to speak, said that whatever might be the constitutional issue, they felt most deeply the contributions that

LABOUR LEADERS CHALLENGED.

FREE VOTE OF HOUSE ON TARIFFS.

COUNCIL OF INDUSTRY'S MANIFESTO.

PROBLEMS IGNORED.

London, Nov. 18. The National Council of Industry and Commerce which was formed at the end of September at a private meeting of 200 representative industrialists and business men "to promote a policy of protection of home industries by the imposition of appropriate tariffs against imports from foreign nations, irrespective of party politics," gave its first indication of life to-day.

The Executive Committee of the National Council of Industry and Commerce, of which Sir William Morris, the famous motor-car manufacturer, is the chairman, issued a statement expressing their dismay at the failure of the Economic side of the Imperial Conference.

At the last Census, taken in 1925, the total population was 840,226, comprising 810,279 Chinese and 29,947 foreigners.

There has thus been an increase in five years of 167,662, to which the Chinese have contributed 161,118 and foreigners 6,544.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

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UNREGISTERED MUI TSAI ASSAULTED.

**WOMAN CONVICTED ON
TWO CHARGES.**

The keeping of an unregistered *mui tsai*, and the alleged ill-treatment of her, were the subjects of charges against a Chinese woman, Lei Yu-mui, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday afternoon. As an alternative to the charge of ill-treatment, one of assault was preferred.

Mr. J. Barrow, of the S.C.A., conducted the prosecution on behalf of the Police, and Mr. F. C. Rendall defended.

Dr. Tang Yee-yuen, medical officer of the Kwong Wah Hospital, said that he was requested to examine the girl, Ngau Yiu, who was sent to the hospital by the police, on November 12. He found bruises on her left cheek, and cane marks all over her back and shoulders. On the right side there were 16 marks and on the left 12. There were other minor bruises on her legs and thighs. All the marks had been recently inflicted. The mark on the cheek must have been caused by a stick or a blunt instrument, or by her having had a fall on a hard surface. He thought that the cane marks were certainly too severe a punishment.

Refused Prostitution.

The girl, aged 15, said that she did not know whether she had a father or mother. She was sold to somebody when she was quite young. She had been living with the defendant since she was nine years of age. She did house work, such as cooking, fetching water, sweeping the floor and other little things. She was never given any pocket money. She had never been registered, nor had her finger prints been taken by the S.C.A. On November 11, she was beaten by the defendant with a Chinese foot-rod. She was hit on the face and mouth. The defendant wanted her to become a prostitute, and told her that she had found a place for her to go, but she refused, and therefore got the beating. She was beaten on her back with a rattan cane.

Cause of the Trouble.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Rendall, the witness said that she knew several other girls living close by, who were not employed as *mai tsais*, but who were daughters. They all did housework such as cooking, sweeping the floor, and other little things, for their parents. She had received two years' education in Chinese. The defendant had beaten her before for not having done her work well. She wanted to become a worker in a perfume factory, and it was this that caused the trouble between her and the defendant on November 11. Another reason was that she had told the defendant that she was trying to make her a prostitute, because she (the defendant) was a prostitute herself. On further questioning, witness denied that she had told this to the defendant. Witness reported the matter to the police the following morning.

Chen Shu-ying, the principal tenant of 114, Woostong Street, said that the girl was a daughter of the defendant. On November 11, she heard the girl crying and on her coming out of her cubicle, she saw the defendant beating the girl with a rattan cane. She did not know why the defendant beat the girl.

The statements made by the defendant in the police station were produced. In answer to the first charge, she had said that the girl was not employed by her as a *mai tsai*. She had admitted having

been beaten by the defendant, and some other women. She had also been given an education.

Was the treatment

which would have been

accorded to a girl who was a *mai tsai*, pity and simple? He had

never heard of *mai tsai* being

educated before. The treatment

given to the girl was compatible

with her having been adopted as a

daughter by the defendant. With

regard to the work she had been

given to do, it was more or less the

work which a real daughter would

do for her mother. The only thing

which the girl wanted to do was to

work in a perfume factory, and

when the defendant objected to this

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YEN AND FENG.

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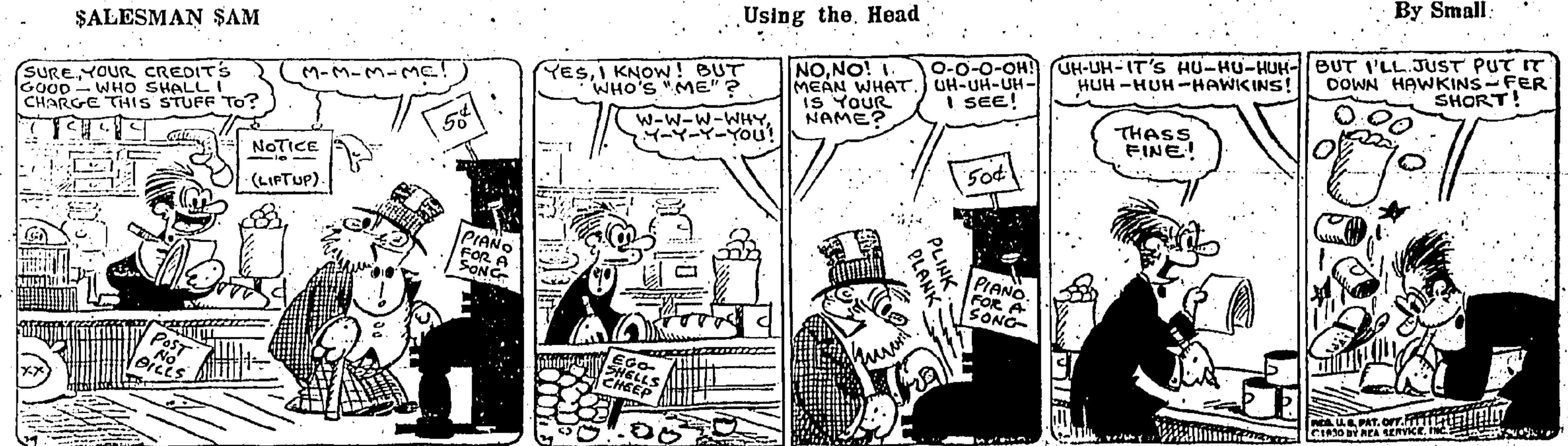
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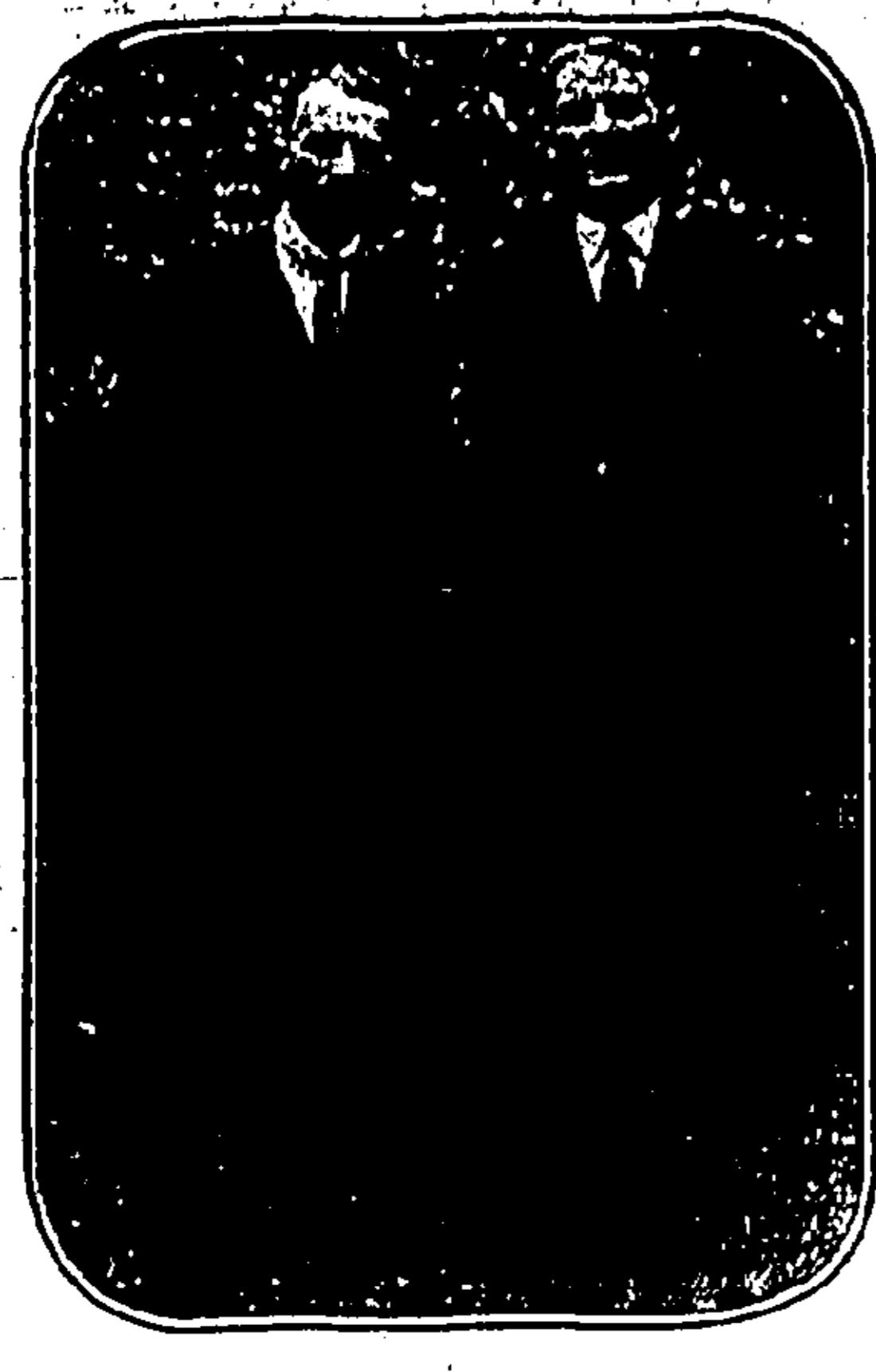
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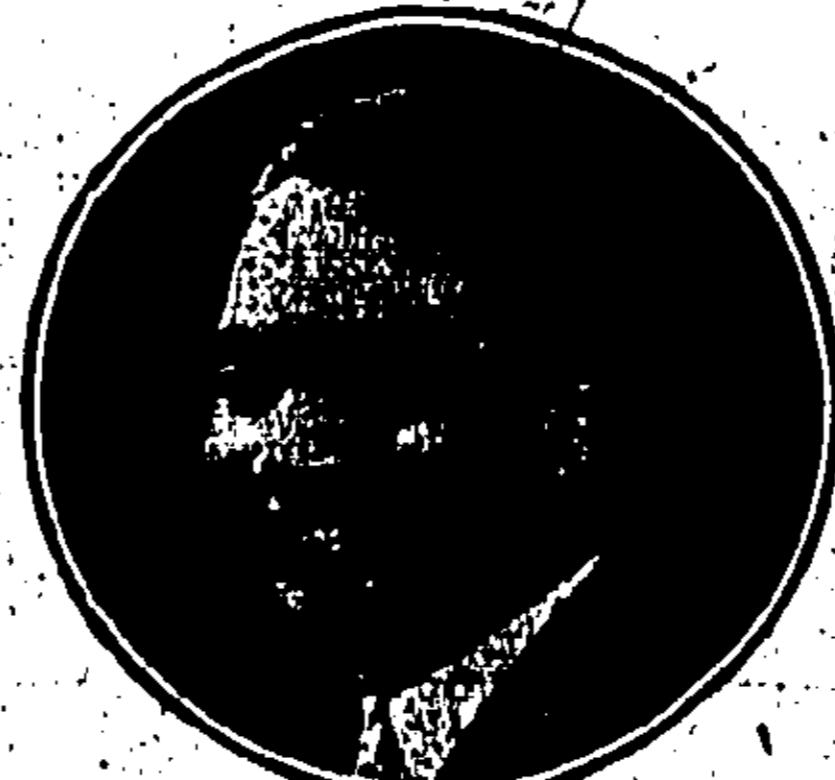
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All members are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1930.

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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth Extra Race Meetings to be held on Saturday, 29th November and 6th and 13th December, 1930, respectively, may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

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Monday, 1st December, 1930.

Monday, 8th December, 1930.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"DEVIL-MAY-CARE" REAL ROMANTIC FILM.

Ramon Novarro, dressed in the handsome uniform of Lieutenant of Napoleon Bonaparte, makes his escape from a firing squad; climbing into a beautiful young woman's bed-room; masquerading as a footman; duelling his way to fame and fortune. These are some of the scenes of "Devil-may-care," Novarro's all-talking screen romance which is showing at the Queen's Theatre.

The new picture, adapted from the French play, "La Bataille des Dames," is said to be a perfect vehicle for the romantic Novarro. The story tells of the adventures of Armand, the exiled Napoleon's trusted lieutenant who schemes to bring back his liege to the throne of France. When he falls in love with Leonie, ardent Royalist, complications begin.

Sidney Franklin, director of the production, is said to have set a new standard for camera excellence. Among the scenes which stand out are "shots" of a cavalry troop riding down a mountain road; the historic scene in which Napoleon bids farewell to his guard; a forest glade in which Armand and Leonie go horseback riding; scenes in a French chateau and a scene filmed in technicolor in a reproduction of the gardens at Versailles.

The supporting cast of "Devil-may-care" includes Dorothy Jordan as Leonie, Marion Harris as Countess Louise, John Miljan as the villainous de Grignon, and others.

Novarro sings a variety of attractive musical numbers in the picture, written by Herbert Stothart and Olaf Gray. Songs are also sung by Miss Harris, who is well known as a "blond" singer, and Miss Jordan, who was formerly in New York musical comedies. The musical numbers range from sentimental love songs such as "Charming," "If He Carol" and "The Shepherd's Serenade," to the comedy songs, "Pompadour" and "Bon Jour, Louis," and rollicking military number, "March of the Old Guard," which Novarro sings with a large chorus.

"Navy Blues."

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So remarks Karl Dane, who is good for his money share of laughs. In "Navy Blues," William Haines' first all-talking vehicle which will be shown next month at the Queen's Theatre.

"A gloomy person," says Dane, "is always comical—if he gets bumped, slips on a banana pool, or falls off a beer truck. If a cheerful, happy sort of person did the same thing, the audience would feel sorry for him, and wouldn't laugh—because one doesn't laugh when someone he likes gets a bump. Therefore a large and gloomy man makes a good comedian, if he's physically able to stand what a man has to go through to be a comedian under those circumstances."

In this connexion, Dane ascribes to the dear public just a little bit of mischief. He says that the basis of all humour is something painful or unpleasant happening to the other fellow, so long as that painful or unpleasant experience doesn't actually go as far as to kill him, and so long as the fellow in question isn't too well liked.

"They would sympathize with John Gilbert if he ate a lot of dried apples and then took a drink of water," says Dane. "But I did that painful thing they'd suspect when I began to swell, and howl when I was fully distended, just so long as I didn't burst. And if I did, I'm not so sure that they'd shout tears."

"In other words, the thing a big comedian has to do is build up a sort of subconscious enmity on the part of his audience, almost akin to that of the villain, only in the comedian's case it's more a form of irritation—the audience gets out of patience with his grim exterior. Then he has to



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First, loosen the tension, so that one thread is slack, and the other taut, and use the largest stitch. It will then be a simple matter to pull the tight thread up, until even gathers are formed; but be sure to have the tight thread on the right side of the material.

When you need a long straight guide for hand sewing, run the material through the machine, with the needle un-threaded; then sew in the needle holes. This will only apply to cotton, or artificial silk fabrics.

Regulate the size of stitch according to the kind of material you are sewing. Fine material needs a short stitch; thick materials, a long one. Vary the thickness of the thread in the same way. It is also a good policy to change the needle for different thicknesses of material, if you want even stitching.

If you have electric light, try a light attachment for the sewing machine. This throws the light directly on the needlefoot, and the work below it, and so prevents eye strain.

To hem stitch by machine, pull the threads in the usual way, then tack the edge of the hem to the middle of the drawn threads; machine as usual. Now gently pull the stitches to the proper place, and the trick is done.

Test the sewing stitch on a spare piece of material every time you use the machine, to get the proper tension. Grease the machine often, and give an occasional soaking in paraffin, to prevent heavy running.

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NEW MODELS.

Common-Sense Fashions.

Common sense and good style are outstanding features of the fashions displayed at the British Fashion Exhibition, which opened at the New Hall, Olympia, yesterday, writes Iris Downing in the *New Chronicle*.

Fashion scaramongers who have spread rumours of ridiculous revivals such as bustles, very long trains for day wear and other disconsorts that no dress designer of any merit would contemplate, or that any well-dressed woman would dream of buying, will find little ground for such sensational announcements at this exhibition.

Even the few exaggerated models displayed in previous exhibitions of British fashions are missing this time. Upon asking an official the reason for this sudden return to common sense of one firm who used to show weird fashions upon strangely exotic mannequins.

A New Material:

I was told that the firm in question had decided that they would prefer to show models that sell! A wise decision, for while peculiar clothes may achieve good publicity, buyers realize that one bustle does not make a fashion. So wearable clothes have triumphed.

There is one new material that can be worn by the man of the family as well as by his wife and children. This is a British fabric, which at first glance looks like suede, it is used for women's golf clothes, for golf bags and bags for golf balls, for men's overcoats and golf jumpers, for winter sports suits and for men's caps. The material is made in varying weights to suit the garments for which they will be used.

Some of the lighter varieties, in pretty colours, are used for evening cloaks and women's hats. Zip fastenings are used on many of the sports garments and children's suits made of this material.

All the evening gowns are well past ankle length, the majority of them reaching to the toes, and several very pretty models are made of British artificial silk fabrics.

- Ermine Cheaper.

There were many interesting fur exhibits. An official of one firm tells me that owing to the black-and-white vogue for the coming winter there is a very much bigger demand for ermine, and owing to the number of skins being imported from Russia this fur is rather less expensive than it has been.

At this firm the opinion was expressed that there would not be a general demand for muffs, but others were being given for pillow muffs of squirrel, muskrat, or beaver, for motorizing and travelling.

Among the millinery shown, velvet hats were well to the fore, black predominating.

But I was shown a pretty, close-fitting model in duck-egg blue velvet, this being the new season's colour.

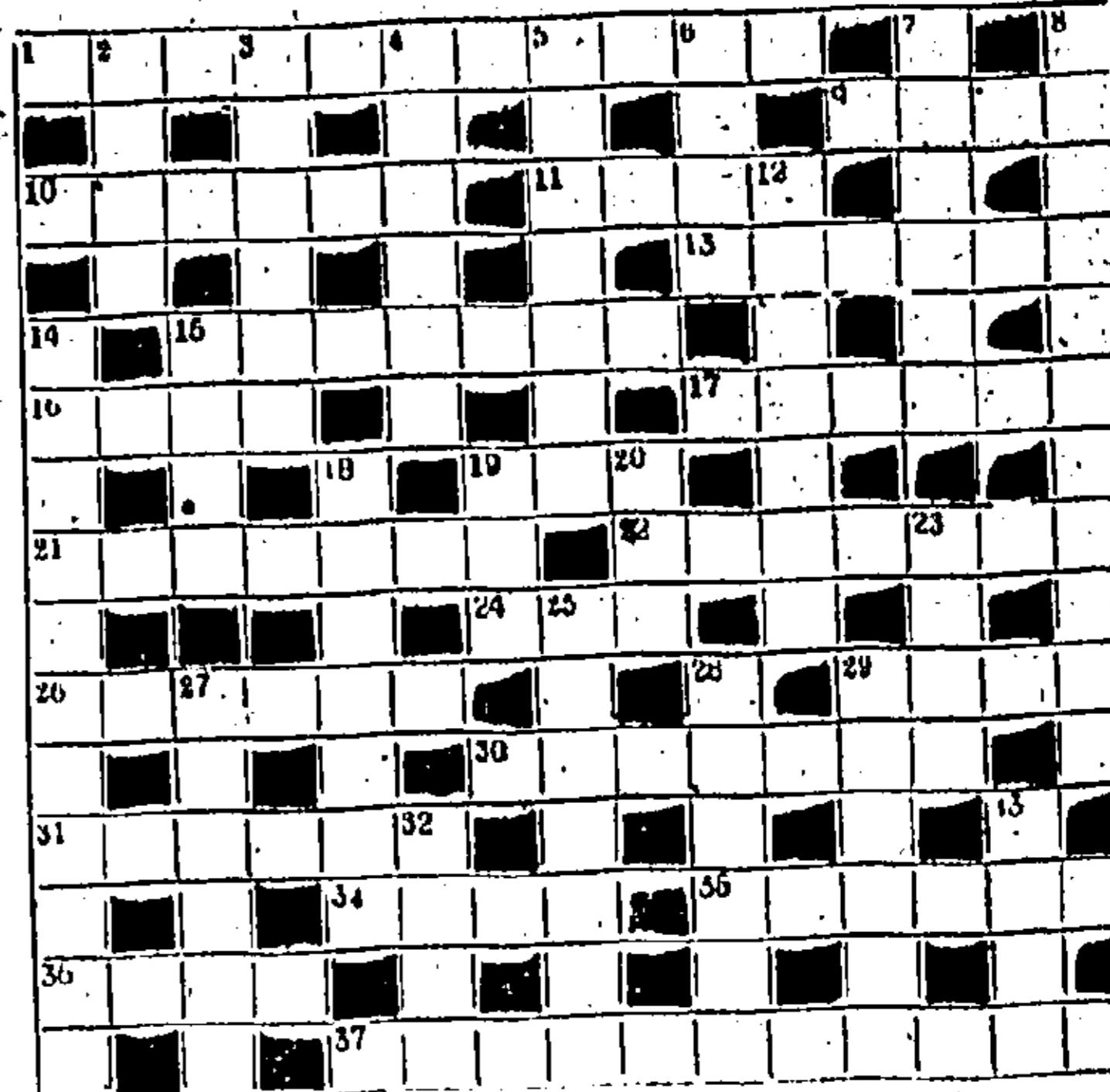
Dressy Hats.

Many of the felt hats had a medium brim, and all are made on more "dressy" lines than formerly. Panama, small ostrich feather trim, sashes and a variety of feather mounts add to the decorative appearance of many of the new millinery models.

As British tweeds and woolen materials are world-famous, natural, to some very smart tailored clothes were to be seen.

In all cases, the skirts were about three inches below the knee, and accompanied by three-quarter or full-length coats.

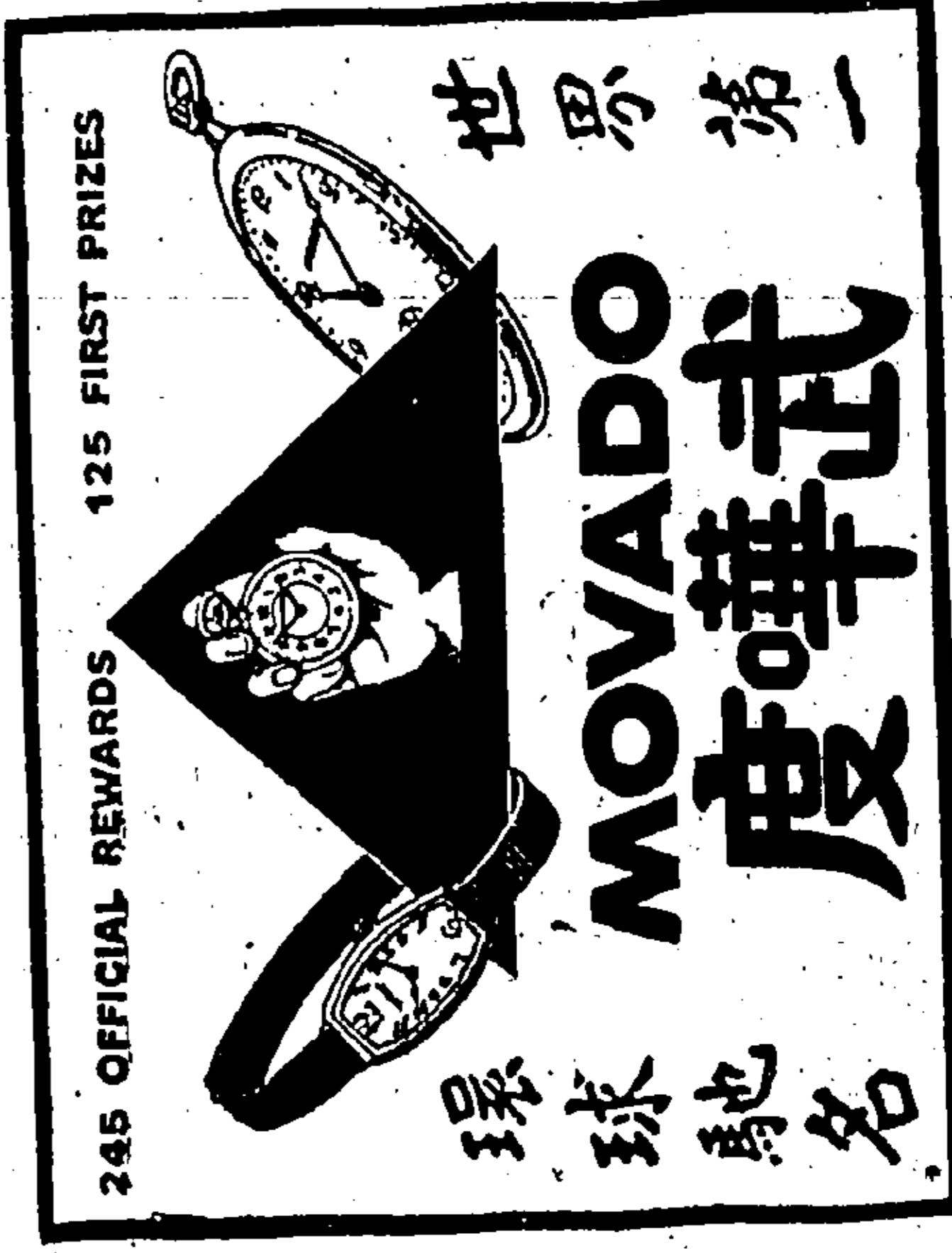
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- Across
1 "I can boom tin," forming an association (anag.).
2 An ancient people of central Italy.
3 The "fan for a dean" when blown (anag.).
4 Scold.
5 Dexterity or bearing.
6 The beginning of emulation.
7 Often told on the links in regard to it.
8 Fly to the foot.
9 May be under the direction of a cook or a captain.
10 Usually a charming walk.
11 Invest a penny in this fruit, and you could wrap it round your neck.
12 Wise men do this to opportunities.
13 Otherwise.
14 From China to—"is quite a distance.
- Down
1 "French flour" (anag.).
2 An invocation to a Turkish Governor, which if repeated would enjoin submissiveness.
3 A goat that is well placed between bread and jam.
4 Hyderia that comes from a great West of England river.
5 Nemo me impune lacessit.
6 The cry of the umpire.
7 Discovered—the pie within probably.
8 The most outrageous sights have been excused because they were this.

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HOPE FOR CHINA.

There has been, in the recent utterances of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, a patent reflection of the fact that he is keenly conscious of the responsibilities of his high office, and, what is much more to the point, evidence that he is animated by a fine single-mindedness of purpose to serve the best interests of his country and to purge the Kuomintang Party of abuses which have persisted for all too long. He has with him in his task a number of men equally imbued with high ideals, but it would be absurd to overlook the fact that also under the same banner are officials who are solely concerned with considerations of personal gain. Marshal Chiang himself, some few weeks ago, declared that "a few of the Party members are really fighting for the welfare of the public, but most of them are struggling for their own selfish interest; all they want is power." Here he touched upon the greatest curse of Chinese politics—the corruption and abuse of power which can well be left to other times.

If a frank recognition of faults is the first step to better things, then there would appear to be every reason to hope for the creation of a more responsible and efficient organ of government than that which exists at the present time. Marshal Chiang, in his recent denunciations of the misuse of power by members of the Kuomintang Party, has uttered remarks which, had they emanated from foreign sources, would have aroused the utmost resentment. Nothing more sweeping could be imagined than his utterance that "while the Party has been daily talking of purity in political administration, one meets everywhere with cases of corruption; while the public are being daily exhorted to abide by law and observe Party discipline, cases of violation of Party discipline and law are to be found everywhere." Party affairs, he avers, have degenerated into corruption, the existence of which has been tolerated to such an extent that although the truth is known, no impeachments or prosecutions ever occur. It is well, as we say, that these confessions should come from the head of the Party, who has not even hesitated to turn the light of criticism on to his own past conduct. Were Chiang content merely to point out the defects, his declamations would not

greatly impress, since they represent an admission of what has long since been apparent. But no-one who has read his recent utterances can doubt his sincerity or his determination to eradicate the evils to which he alludes. With him in this campaign are men of equal probity and integrity, and in the plans which have been conceived for putting national affairs on a better and higher plane we can see hopes of a much-needed regeneration of public life in China.

The enormity of the task to which the Government is applying itself cannot be under-estimated. Central control over the provinces is one big issue, to which the complete elimination of feudal war lords is closely allied. The curbing of the powers of Kuomintang branch organisations, and especially their interference in affairs which cannot by any stretch of imagination be regarded as coming within their scope, is another matter of vital import. Above and beyond these and other issues is the restoration of peace and order in the large areas of the country which are now bandit-ridden. This latter task calls for a huge effort, and in tackling the problem the authorities must go to the root of the evil—the economic considerations which force so many thousands into the ranks of the brigands. Mere military operations will not suffice. Nor can we be impressed by time-table methods, such as the proposal to exterminate all bandits and Communists within three months. But whatever the difficulties which lie ahead, it is comforting and reassuring to feel that there are men at the head of affairs in Nanking who are consumed with anxiety to lift their nation out of the slough and the mire. We believe, with others, that no greater opportunity has arisen since the Revolution than that which now presents itself. Serious application to the problems close at hand offers the greatest chance of success. Other issues, however important they may be, can well be left to other times.

Room for Optimism.

It is just as easy to assume too much from the encouraging tone of the Indian contributions to the discussion at the Round Table Conference as it was to doubt the likelihood of even a small measure of common endeavour before the historic gathering was opened. Nevertheless, it is safe to follow the lead of the Business Committee in assessing the value of Monday's debate. They gathered sufficient stimulation from the very concise and constructive expressions of opinion by Sir Tej Bahadur Supriya, the Maharaja of Bikāner and Mr. Jayakar, to persuade them to recommend the setting up of a Federal Relations Committee. This Committee will deal comprehensively and in detail with the most important fact that emerged from the discussion, namely, that the Government of India's plans for a unitary form of government will receive little support, and that the ideal, to the minds of the British Indian delegates and those of the Indian States, is some form of federation, each province and State being autonomous within its borders, but welded into an All-India Federation through a Central Legislature. Perhaps the most instructive estimate of the problems and remedies came from Mr. Jayakar, who speaking on behalf of Young India, delivered himself of suggestions and advice worthy of earnest consideration, declaring that if India is given Dominion Status to-day, the impossible demand for independence will die a natural death in a few months. On the other hand, if the delegates to the Conference return empty-handed, it will be the surest way of raising in volume and intensity that cry of independence. No threat was intended or implied. Mr. Jayakar states what must obviously be a fact and no harm can be done by bringing such a possibility into the foreground. He was equally precise in his gesture to the Indian States. Young India will not insist upon impossible terms of federation, but only such terms as the majority of the States are already prepared to accept. If the

DAY BY DAY

THE DISCOVERY OF WHAT IS TRUE, AND THE PRACTICE OF THAT WHICH IS GOOD, ARE THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT OBJECTS OF PHILOSOPHY.—Voltaire.

The P. and O. s.s. Kurnala, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Bokuyo Maru will sail at daylight to-morrow morning, and not at 11 a.m. as previously announced.

Yesterday's health return shows two cases of typhoid and two of diphtheria. All were Chinese with the exception of one of the latter.

The first annual weight lifting in connexion with the Mauricio Physical Training Institute, is to be held this evening, when Dr. Arthur W. Woo will distribute the prizes.

The Chinese Catholic community is giving a reception in honour of His Grace the Apostolic Delegate to China, Mgr. C. Constantine, at the Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society, 16, Caine Road, at 8.30 p.m. to-day.

Amongst residents who returned to the Colony to-day by the Empress of Japan were Mr. and Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rouse, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hadlam, Mr. C. Moxon, Mr. J. E. Joseph, and Mr. F. A. Joseph.

Mr. W. Tansley, of Reiss Massey & Co., appeared before Mr. Buttenshaw, of the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a summons taken out by his wife, Mrs. L. Tansley, for alleged assault on November 4, and for persistent cruelty. The case was adjourned for one week.

It should be noted that the final stage of the ladies' singles tennis championship of Hongkong between Miss Enid Lo and Mrs. Keary, will commence at 3.30 p.m. on Friday, November 21, and not at 3 p.m. as previously advertised. The match is to be played at the U.S.R.C.

On a summons for storing 24 gallons of gasoline in a garage in Hennessy Road, without a permit, the owner of the premises was fined \$25 by Mr. Lindell at the Central Police Court this morning. The defendant said he had a garage licence and thought that covered the storage of gasoline. In another case, a grocer was fined \$30 for not storing kerosene in his well.

Mr. Wong Kai-ming, Principal of Pui Ching Middle School, Tung-shan, Canton, has been invited to attend the First All-Asia Educational Conference under the auspices of the World Federation of Education Associations, which is to be held at Benaras, India, from December 26th to 30th, 1930.

Mr. Wong has accepted the invitation and will sail for India some time next week. Mr. Ko Kim-foo, the famous Cantonese artist, is also to attend the Conference with Mr. Wong, taking with him some of his fine paintings.

delegates continue to be animated by the spirit of goodwill and compromise now prevailing, the Indian Conference bids fair to oust the London Naval Conference from pride of place as the greatest of the MacDonald Administration's achievements.



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THE CONFIDENCE MAN.

THE confidence man is a philosopher; he has a working knowledge of human nature and its weaknesses; he has, what I would call, the soul of a diplomatist, the glib tongue of a political candidate, and the geniality of any maître d'hôtel who is anxious to attract new customers.

The confidence men are, as a rule, recruited from the swindling class. They have been generally suspected or convicted of frauds; they include a large number of professional bilkers of landladies and hotel proprietors; they belong to that category of criminals who pass worthless cheques and prey upon a certain type of women.

Very often they are men who have been attached to card-sharpening gangs in the capacity of lumbermen, a lumber being a man who himself is no expert with the cards, but can lumber (i.e., shepherd) a mug on to the less pliable but more dexterous executive of the mob.

A good lumberer is worth a lot of money to a confederacy of card sharps. He should be a man of good address or no transparent and regularly honest that you might at first glance imagine that he was a great political personage. His business is to establish confidence in the prospective victim and lead him by imperceptible stages to the slaughter-house where, in the argot of the class, he will be "carved."

But card-sharpening gangs are curiously unstable. After a big killing they are broken up, and the lumberer, drawing his share of the loot, either finds another gang or joins up with those students of human depravity whom we call confidence men.

It is very rare that an honest man is caught by the confidence trick. There must be some pure-minded, philanthropic and altruistic souls who have no other intention but honestly to distribute the enormous wealth which is to be handed to them by their chance-met acquaintance. But there are others, who, when they are approached by a pleasant stranger, who tells them that he is sailing for America next week and does not know what to do with a quarter of a million of money which must be distributed amongst the blue-eyed Smiths of England, have secretly made up their minds that they themselves are all the blue-eye Smiths who will benefit by this largesse.

Imagine you are a stranger in London. You are here on a holiday. You are watching, perhaps, the Changing of the Guard at St. James's Palace. Beside you stands a pleasant man who remarks casually that it is wonderful how they train the soldiers so that they bring their rifles so slope with magic-like unanimity. When the crowd disperses the stranger walks by your side and tells you that the last time he saw the guard changed was twenty-five years ago and that his dear old mother, who took him then, was still alive, and he adds a few complimentary remarks about mothers. You would be surly and unnatural if you did not also discuss your dear old mother and how fond she was of soldiers.

Remember, there is no talk about money. You may get on to the question of plays, or the Test Match, or the like. There is only one way to safeguard yourself against the confidence trick: It is to be honest, which is one of the most difficult qualities to acquire, unless it is born in you. When you are offered the handling of a fabulous sum by a man you did not know when you went to bed last night your commonsense will tell you that there is something fishy about the transaction, and your innate honesty will prevent you from regarding this as a magnificent opportunity for embezzlement.

There was once a confidence man who approached me in Regent's Park, and we were introduced to a gentleman of strong religious views who wished me to relieve the poverty of the people of Limehouse. It was soon after Mr. Burke had turned that very dull neighbourhood into a home of romance. Did I succumb to the temptation? No! I rejected the offer with scorn and violence, not because I was honest, but because three years before I had seen both men sentenced at the London Sessions for obtaining money by a false pretence.

An Addition to the Family.

A woman at Para, Brazil, has given birth to six boys. All are doing well.

Thoughtful.

An unknown artist who shot himself in a crowded Latin Quarter cafe in Paris left a note on the table saying, "Excuse me."

Six Razors.

John Taylor, aged 63, of Royal road, Bermondsey, was found dead in his bedroom with throat wounds. Six razors were near the body.

Mad Dog's Toll.

A dog suffering from hydrocephalus bit three people, five cats, 50 other dogs and one goat in the village of Couco.

Cool Job.

A woman in Alexandra Park, N.W., interrupted by shouts of "Fire" while having a bath, ran out in a dressing gown to the nearest telephone box and summoned the fire brigade.

FEDERATED INDIAN STATES.

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India has made to the Empire and gratitude for the devotion with which India's Princes and peoples alike threw themselves into their great contribution to the War.

Quoting the Viceroy's statement to the Legislative Assembly last January, Lord Peel said that some political circles in India had misinterpreted them by regarding the statement of the goal as the same thing as a statement of immediate purpose.

There was no promise in that statement of the immediate translation into fact of a full measure of Dominion Status.

It was pointed out as a goal which might be attained in a swifter way or in a shorter time if things went well with the political development of India and therefore, while they were united on the goal, they might differ as to the pace with which it might be attained.

Wisdom of Caution.

Lord Peel, who was once Secretary for India, urged the wisdom of caution and emphasised the British contribution to the moral and the political progress of India.

He described the Statutory Commission's Report as, in many ways, a revolutionary document and instance its recommendation for the abolition of the dyarchy.

It gave provincial councils exceedingly wide powers over great populations in matters touching most closely the lives of millions in those Provinces.

Really they were not Provinces, but countries, with twenty or forty millions of people.

Was it nothing that those wide powers were to be fully transferred to an Indian ministry whose laws, and whose administrative acts, would touch most closely the intimate lives of millions of people in different provinces in education in local government, in health, agriculture and even in taxation?

No Change at Centre.

In those circumstances, was there really anything inherently unreasonable in proposing that while the Provinces were adjusting themselves to these new conditions, settling down, learning their new powers, applying the arts of Government to these great populations that during that time—not a long time perhaps—there should be no substantial change in the Central Government.

Continuing to deal with what he described as the rather conservative side of British opinion, Lord Peel said the transfer of the police was viewed with great anxiety in many quarters, not only here, but by some of the governments in India.

While they all hoped that with an agreement all the old difficulties and communal troubles would disappear, yet the impartiality of the British police was of advantage.

They had seen recently in other countries where parliamentary institutions have been too rapidly set up, that they had failed, and withered, because they had not roots on which they might grow. They felt this not from any desire to delay in India the realisation of her aspirations, but because Parliament did feel a tremendous responsibility towards India.

Congress Danger.

The Conservatives were also anxious lest, if the Round Table Conference agreed upon some constitution, the strong Congress party in India would merely use the powers granted for furthering its own separatist ends.

He expressed the view that a unitary form of government was impossible, when dealing with the main subject of the discussion.

He inclined most strongly to the Federal idea which builds up units of great variety within the whole and contributes to the whole something of their richness and variety.

Inasmuch as the Despatch of the Government of India contemplated the setting up of such a scheme as a remote possibility, it seemed somewhat out of date.

Concluding, he affirmed the strong belief shared by English Conservative opinion, in the importance of bringing India, sooner or later, into its equal part in the great community of the British Commonwealth. The contribution which India could bring in thought, in knowledge, material and spiritual, would enormously enrich the content of what may be, in the future, the community of British Nations.

A Tremendous Gain.

Meanwhile all the speeches at the Conference had proved that the Federal idea had grown with remarkable rapidity.

That was a tremendous gain.

He considered that some sort of Federal Union between the Princes and the Provinces so fruitful in possibilities that it would be a mi-

PEDDER STREET DANGER.

BUILDING CONTRACTOR FINED FIFTY DOLLARS.

What has been a nuisance and a danger to pedestrians ranking daily use of that part of Pedder Street between Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and the Dollar Steamship Company, by the constant falling into the roadway of building debris from the block housing the Swallow Brown Work and the money-changers, was brought to the notice of the local Courts this morning when the contractor was summoned for failing to prevent the material from dropping into the streets.

The contractor was brought before Mr. Lindell at the Central Police Court by Sergeant McLean, who informed the Magistrate that fully large pieces of cement facing from the walls had been permitted to fall into the street, causing a danger to pedestrians and also dropping on the motor cars parked immediately opposite on the Pedder Street stand.

A small hoarding had been erected at the first floor level, but the men had been working on the third floor and the debris was falling on to the scaffolding poles and rebounding into the roadway. Since action was taken, an adequate hoarding had been erected higher up the building.

His Worship fined the defendant \$50.

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fortune if the Conference did not lay down the foundations of a Federal system.

He urged the Conference to work in that direction.

The Smaller States.

The Chief of Sancili called attention to the interests of the smaller States, and said their cases would require investigation to fit them in the scheme which might be ultimately framed, so that they might enjoy all its benefits.

Anglo-Indian Attitude.

Sir Hubert Carr, of the British Indian Delegation, expressed the belief that a Federal Government offered the best chances of successful progress to a United India.

They believed in the full application of the Federal principle, not only in bringing the States and the Provinces together at the centre, but also in its application to other departments of Government, finance, railways and so on.

His community, however, was largely actuated by an anxiety that present order should not give way to immature ideas which would lead to a breakdown.

He would like to see further consideration of thought in Indian political opinion as to what was best at the centre, before any strong move was made, for they were frankly doubtful if full responsibility was possible at present.

International Confidence.

In regard to finance he emphasised that any Government that was going to be for the good of India must retain not only the confidence of its own nationals but also international confidence.

Practical Measure.

Colonel Gidney, also speaking for the Anglo-Indian community, said his conception of a practical measure would be to give India immediately complete provincial autonomy, and when the Provinces have established themselves, allow them absolute freedom to federate those States willing to enter into association with them, and so form a number of federating units which would eventually combine in an All-Indian Federation, with a strong responsible and representative Central Government.

He asked for adequate and statutory protection of minority interests, and urged that his community be given something in the nature of a Bill of Rights so that they should not lose their positions merely because they were partly Indian and partly European.

Conference Momentum.

An indication of how the work of the Conference is gathering momentum is the fact that the Indian States and the British Indian delegations held meetings day-to-day to choose their representatives on the Federal Relations Committee, which was proposed by the Business Committee—for the purpose of considering the structure of a Federal system in India.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for India, is to be the Chairman of the Committee, which will be composed of thirty-two members, six representing the British delegation, ten the Indian States and sixteen British India.

British Indian Meeting.

At to-day's British Indian meeting, over which the Aga Khan presided, a discussion took place on the relative merits of unitary and federal constitutions and the various points of view expressed.

Dlegates have been warned that in view of the number of delegates who wish to speak in full debate, there is a likelihood of the plenary session continuing until Thursday.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

A MURDER TRIAL PROBLEM.

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PUTNAM WEALE'S NOVEL OF HONGKONG.

A person was cautioned when arrested and charged, but it was quite clear that in the present case no caution of any kind was administered to accused as a witness. Counsel further submitted that although it had not been definitely held that where a witness was giving evidence, he should be warned in any way, yet it had been the general tendency for judges to hold that in the event of any possibility of incriminating themselves, it was highly desirable that the Magistrate should administer a caution or warning to witnesses in order that they might not incriminate themselves. In the present case there was no indication of any warning or caution having been administered to accused when she gave her evidence.

No Caution Given.

His Lordship:—I assume that there was no such caution.

Mr. Fitzroy:—So far as I know, there was none.

Continuing, Mr. D'Almada pointed out that accused was of a highly ignorant type, of low mentality, and said that if any one merited and deserved assistance, she did.

In the present case, said counsel, accused was a witness who gave evidence under the threat of a term of imprisonment. There was no doubt that the threat was made and she would go into the witness box and depose to it.

Question of Onus.

Mr. D'Almada went on to say the question arising out of the point was whether it was for him to establish that the confession was not made freely and voluntarily, or whether it was for the Crown to prove to the absolute satisfaction of the Court, and beyond all doubt whatsoever, that the evidence was given freely and voluntarily. Counsel finally submitted that the onus was upon the Crown.

Mr. Justice Wood (to prosecuting Counsel):—Do you accept the onus?

Mr. Fitzroy:—I do not, only so far as to prove the deposition were taken by a Magistrate. I only accept the onus to prove that the depositions were given in evidence.

His Lordship:—Because they were given at certain proceedings, I think you must accept the onus.

Mr. Fitzroy said he would call the Magistrate to prove the circumstances under which the statement was made.

Magistrate Called.

Mr. E. J. Wynne-Jones, District Officer (North), said accused appeared before him in his Court as a witness in certain proceedings on September 29. She gave evidence, which he took in writing and now produced. So far as he knew, it was a voluntary statement, and no inducement was held out to her in his Court. She did not refuse to answer any question, neither did she claim the right to refuse to answer. The statement was translated and read over to her and she signed it.

Cross-examined, witness said it did not occur to him to warn her at any stage of the proceedings that anything she might say might incriminate her. That she might say something to incriminate herself was the thought furthest from his mind.

The case is proceeding.

BOY STOWAWAYS ON EMPRESS.

RUSSIAN COMMUNITY'S AID SOUGHT.

Two young Russian lads, Wirth Constantine (15), and Shnituro Leonid (16), were charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, with having stowed away on board the ss. Empress of Japan from Shanghai to Hongkong.

Detective Sergeant Kellett said both defendants wanted to go to Manila. They had been in Shanghai for three and a half months and had been working in a garage there.

Mr. Butters:—Who looks after the interests of Russians in Hongkong?

Sergeant Kellett:—There is a community of Russians here, and it is usual for them to look after these people.

Mr. Butters remanded the lads in custody for 24 hours in order that Sergeant Kellett might ascertain what can be done for them.

A workman engaged on the new King's Theatre (old Yee Sang Fat Building) this morning, while at work on scaffolding at the second floor level, lost his footing and fell to the ground below. Fortunately, his fall was broken by the scaffolding, but he sustained severe bruises and shock, and had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital. No bones were broken.

THE BOOKSHELF.

PUTNAM WEALE'S NOVEL OF HONGKONG.

Putnam Weale, in his novel, "The Port of Fragrance" (Noel Douglas, London; 7s. 6d. net), is said in a publisher's note to have succeeded in admiring in conveying that atmosphere of mystery and intrigue which is so characteristic of China and the Chinese. "We are given," so the note says, "an engrossing picture of the European community in Hongkong, of its daily business of soldiering, politics and commerce, of its recreation of tennis, horse races and flirting." To the resident of the Colony the book will strike one as being in no sense specifically typical of Hongkong; the characters might have been drawn from any Far Eastern settlement. Local colour is, however, introduced, and as the background we are given the troublous days of 1925.

The author puts some caustic remarks into the mouths of his characters, one of whom declares that the Colony is tied to the ideals of the sailing ship days. "You had a priceless opportunity," he says, "and found no Stamford Raffles, only Scotchmen and Bombay Jews." There is a good deal more of this type of comment—amusing as indicating a viewpoint but by no means constructive.

There is clever characterization in the types portrayed, but we should not like to think that the gossip, scandal and moral lapses which go to make up so much of the book fairly reflect life in this Colony, and can only hope that none will be misled into believing that they do. The novel is cleverly written, but the talent displayed might have been employed on a better theme.

For Boys and Girls.

Boys and girls have much for which to thank Messrs. Raphael Tuck and Son, who have specialised in gift books of the very best type. Within this description come the series known as "The Golden Treasury Library," which now comprises fifteen volumes. The latest additions comprise "Old Time Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes," containing some truly artistic illustrations in colour and black and white by Jennie Harbour; "Tales and Legends from India," by M. Dorothy Belgrave and Hilda Hart, with illustrations by H. G. Theaker; and "Legends of Animals Far and Near," by Rose Yeatman Woolf, illustrated by Edwin Noble.

These really beautiful books, which sell at 3s. 6d., have won widespread popularity, the size and get-up being most attractive. Each volume is distinctive in character, and they form the nucleus of an excellent little library. In particular we should like to commend the magnificently coloured plates, which are a great advance on the usual type found in books for boys and girls. No better Christmas gift for the young could be conceived than these entertaining and informative books.

New Fiction.

Messrs. Ward, Lock and Company's Colonial Library series continues to be added to by the latest products of some of the most popular of British novelists. Prominent amongst the latest offerings is "The Green Jade Hand," by Harry Stephen Keeler. As in so many other of his books, the author presents a problem, and a really gripping "thriller" is the result. Casimir Jech, curio dealer, has been shot to death by a crackshot whom obviously he had surprised tinkering at his safe in the middle of the night, and Dick Mattox was on the horns of a dilemma, not knowing whether a crook friend of his had taken him too literally, or whether it was his prospective father-in-law who was guilty. The solving of the problem makes a fine detective story. It is set in America, and the characterisation is excellent. Mr. Keeler may have done better work, but he has certainly produced no more exciting story.

Madame Albane needs no introduction as a story-teller. She has put some of her best work into "The Clear Stream," which is a wholesome and quite attractive tale of modern home life. Mrs. Doramore was the perfect mother, humorous, tolerant and sympathetic, and although she interfered little she felt the trials of her daughters—the frustrated stage ambition of the younger, and the strange obsession that clouded the married happiness of the older—more acutely than if they had been her own. The clouds pass, of course, but not until a happy insight into family life and modern ways is given. The novel is one of the best we have encountered by this capable authoress.

Mrs. L. G. Moberly has some good touches in "The Eternal Dustbin," even if the reader is apt to tire of the rather wearisome adulteration of the chief character. The story is a romance of the ordinary woman of to-day, and, as such, it will appeal to those who care for sentiment. Moving from hospital life to scenes in an English cathedral town and in Switzerland, the book is unflinching in its romantic appeal. The characters are very skilfully drawn by one who is obviously a keen student of human nature.

Katharine Tynan gives us a typical novel in "The Playground," which deals with the question whether living amidst the squalor of the slums with a crippled sister and a bassetted father, a boy dare ever hope that he would one day provide beautiful playgrounds for other children placed in similar unfortunate surroundings. A charming romance is woven into the story,

which is extremely well told.

WINE SHOP MASTER SUMMONED.

JARS OF SPIRIT WITHOUT LABELS.

The master of the Tuen Hing Wine Shop was summoned by Mr. H. A. Taylor, of the Imports and Exports Office, before Mr. Lindell at the Central Magistrate this morning for receiving into his control or custody twenty jars containing 80 gallons of spirits without the ordinary labels attached.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared for the defendant and mentioned that he understood the present proceedings had something to do with a distillery case already before his Worship. He suggested that the case be left over until the other was decided.

Mr. Taylor, explaining the facts of the case to his Worship, said that twenty tops of the jars were found on the defendant's premises but no labels were attached.

His Worship adjourned the summons *sine die* pending the hearing of the distillery case in which three men are accused of failing to make proper entries in their mash book.

LABOUR LEADERS CHALLENGED.

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I have said on several occasions that were I Chancellor of the Exchequer (and this must not be taken too literally) I would reduce taxation by fifty per cent, and wait for the result. (Hear, hear.) I suppose most people would accuse me of being reckless in decision, but no country can go on as we are going.

No manufacturers can continue under the taxation imposed upon the manufacturers of this country, and produce goods which will sell all over the world at a price to compete with our competitors. I suppose it can truly be said that this country is labouring under the heaviest taxation of any country in the world, and it is about time those conditions were altered. (Hear, hear.)

THEFT OF CATTLE FODDER.

DAIRY FARM COOLIE STEALS WHITE BEANS.

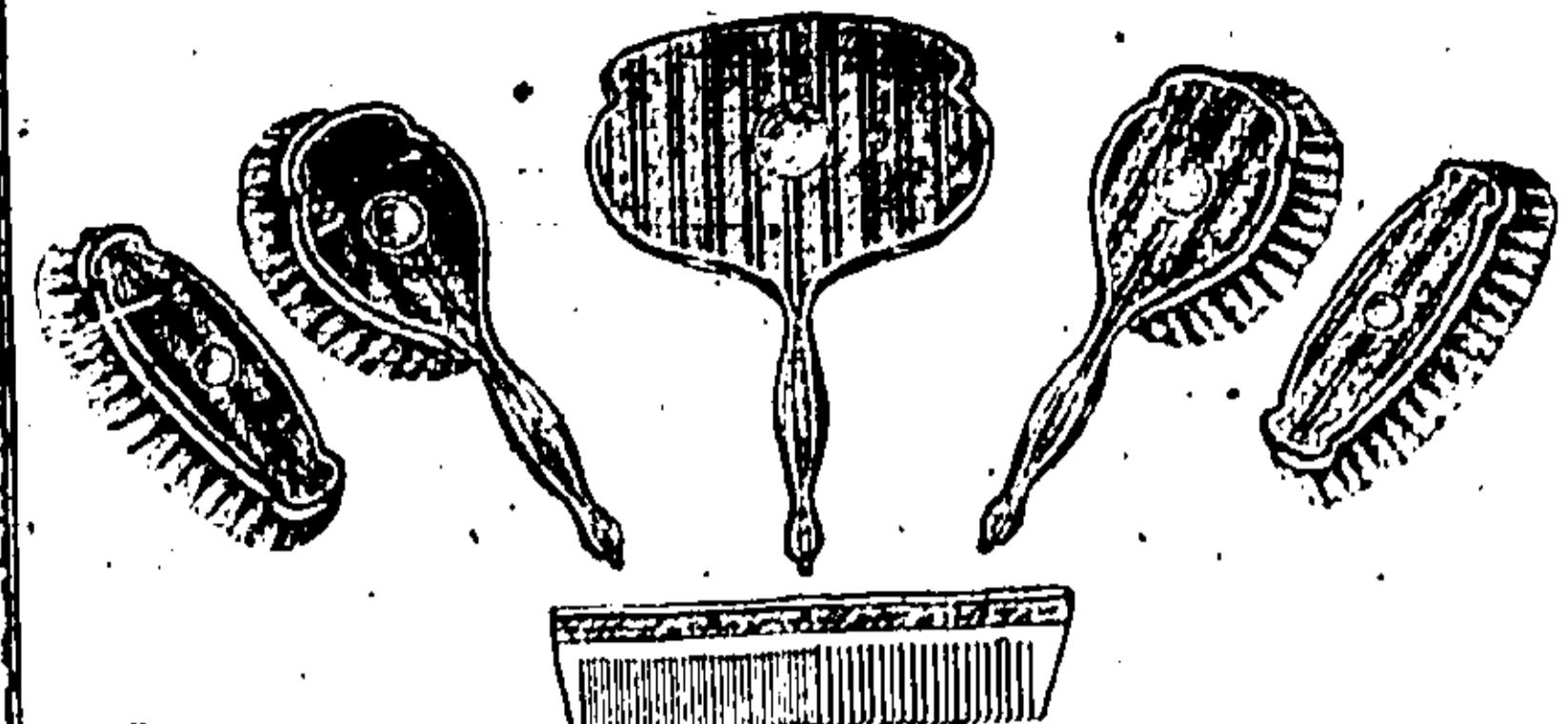
An odd-job coolie employed at the Dairy Farm at Pokfulam was fined \$26, or fourteen days, by Mr. Lindell this morning for the theft of a quantity of white beans used as fodder for the cattle.

Mr. James Bullock, the Superintendent of the Farm, testified that the beans were similar to those used at the Farm.

Mr. Abdul Omar, a storekeeper, said he intercepted the accused as he was leaving the premises with another coolie, the beans being discovered in a bucket which the accused was carrying.

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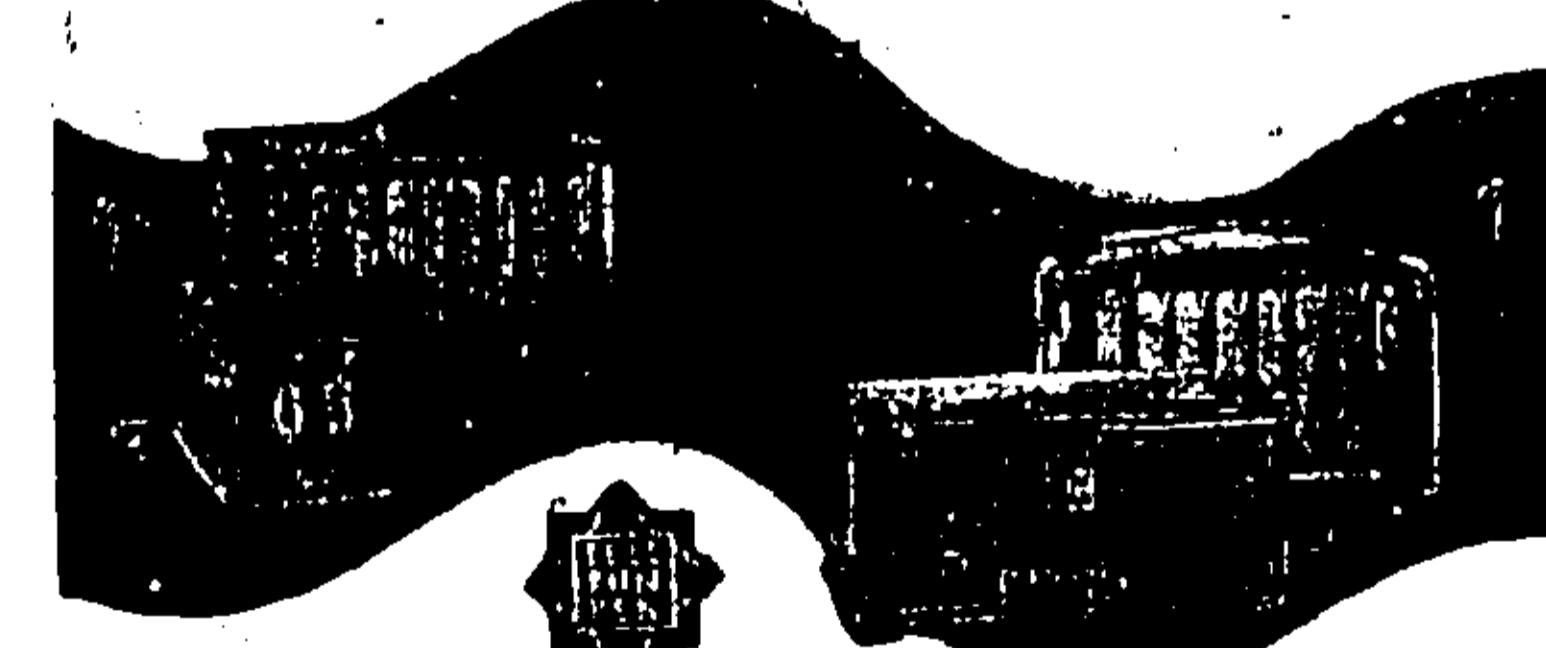
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LEAGUE.****MOORHEN DEFEATS SPORTS
CLUB.**

Shameen, Nov. 18. H.M.S. Moorhen defeated the Shameen Sports Club by four goals to one in the Shameen Football League yesterday afternoon.

Shameen played a very weak game throughout. About half way through the first half the Moorhen scored twice in rapid succession, both very easy goals which should have been saved. The score remained at two-all in favour of the Moorhen till half-time, Watkins and Ah Wing having scored one goal each.

Some time after resuming, Watkins again scored a brilliant goal for the Moorhen, and shortly afterwards Tann scored again, making four-all to the Moorhen. A few minutes before the final whistle, Segeelken scored Shameen's only goal, making a good run up the field and netting the ball with a well-placed shot. The teams were:

H.M.S. Moorhen—F. J. Breed; A. J. Bates, R. F. Morgan; D. McGill; W. Lee-Marson, R. C. Munro; R. Woods, Ah Wing, R. Tann, Lieutenant Brownrigg E. Watkins.

Shameen Sports Club—A. T. Lay; G. W. S. T. McHutchin, W. Nogaitsik; R. Rasmussen, E. Stirling, R. It, W. Ashby; H. Reimers, B. Brind, H. G. Gibbons, E. Segeelken, C. S. Archer.—Our Own Correspondent.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	121.065	120.665
Geneva	25.045	25.045
Berlin	19.38	20.38
Oslo	18.15%	18.15%
Helsingfors	193	193
Athens	375	375
Buenos Aires	38%	38.14/16
Shanghai	1/734	1/734
New York	4.85%	4.85/19/32
Amsterdam	11.07%	12.00%
Stockholm	18.10%	18.00%
Vienna	34.49%	34.49%
Madrid	43.45	43.80
Bucharest	818	818
Montevideo	39%	39%
Hongkong	1/3%	1/3%
Brussels	34.825	34.835
Milan	.02.765	.02.765
Copenhagen	18.10%	18.10
Prague	163%	163%
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Rio	4.18/16	4.18/16
Bombay	1/6%	1/6%
Yokohama	2/0/15	2/0/15/32
Silver (spot)	16/10/10	16/10/10
" (forward)	16/10	16/10
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SHOWING AT THE QUEEN'S.

This depicts one of the scenes in "Devil May Care," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, with Ramon Novarro in the principal role.

LOCAL HOCKEY.**RADIO SPORTS CLUB BEAT
NAVAL TEAM.**

The hockey match between the R.S.C. hockey team and H.M.S. Tamar and small ships, played at King's Park yesterday afternoon, resulted in a victory for the Radii eleven by 3 goals to one. It was a keenly-contested game throughout.

The following will represent the R. S. C. to-morrow at 5 p.m. sharp in a hockey match against the Hongkong and Singapore Brigade, 1st XI, on the Marine Ground:

B. S. Gill, Rattan Singh, J. S. Grewal, A. E. P. Guest, Atma Singh, M. S. Grewal, R. Khan, Gurbachan Singh, Avtar Singh (Captain), Kewant Singh, and Mr. Kemp Reserve.—Chanan Singh.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP**KEEN PLAY IN YESTERDAY'S
ENCOUNTERS.**

Good progress was made in the Ladies' Open Doubles Tennis Championship yesterday, when a further three first round ties were decided, leaving but one match to be played for the completion of the round. This will be played to-day, the contestants being Mrs. J. B. Taylor and Mrs. Keary, who meet Miss Rumjahn and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury.

Yesterday's results were:

Miss Gertrude Lo and Mrs. Chiu Chum-chiu beat Mrs. de Courcy Ireland and Mrs. G. R. Sayer 6-2, 6-4.

Miss Rudge and Mrs. K. C. Sayers beat Mrs. Dook and Mrs. Parsons 6-8, 6-1, 6-7.

Mrs. James and Mrs. E. Grindle, w.o. from Mrs. Newbigging and Mrs. Prior.

**Mother's treasure!**

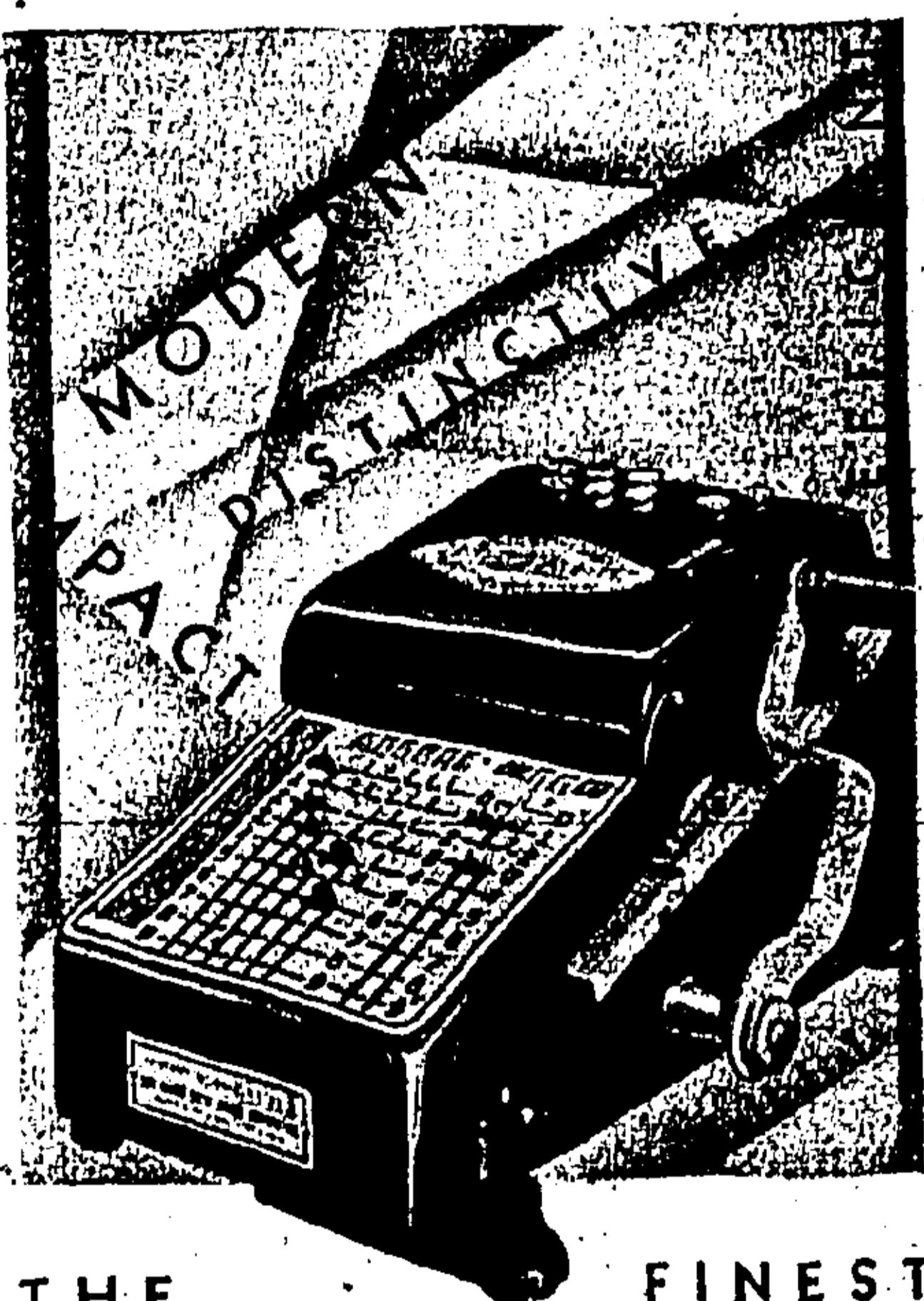
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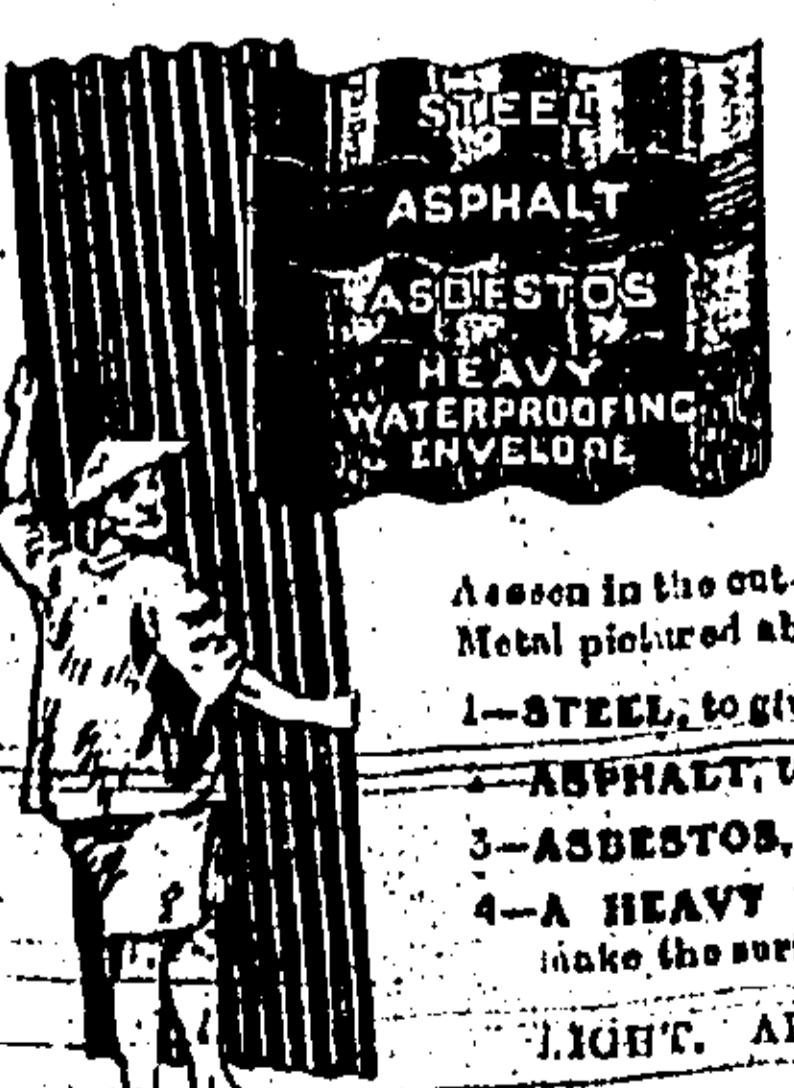
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HEALTH BUREAU CASE COMMITTAL.**KWOK CHUN-SING TO GO BEFORE JUDGE.**

'Kwok' Chun-sing, former Manager of the Health Service Intelligence Bureau, who is charged with uttering a forged voucher signed in the name of 'T. K. Leung' for the sum of \$520, was yesterday committed for trial at the close of the preliminary hearing before Mr. Lindsell.

Mr. d'Almada, at the close of the prosecution, called Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham, who was Magistrate during the month of May and who heard the original indictments against the defendant. Witness was questioned as to the mention by Chan Hin-po, one of the witnesses for the prosecution, of the name of Leung in the present proceedings whereas in the original deposition the witness was taken down as having referred to T. K. Leung.

Mr. Grantham said that he had no recollection of the name Leung having been used in the original proceedings. As far as he could recollect the reference was to T. K. Leung and not to Young.

Referring to the possibility of a mistake, his Worship remarked that it seemed to him that that evidence might have had a strong bearing on Mr. Grantham's decision in the matter.

Witness said that he was satisfied that he had taken down the evidence correctly. He was satisfied that the witness had been speaking of Leung and not Young.

Mr. Lo (cross-examining): I don't know whether you can actually recollect what took place, but assuming that the name Young was mentioned by the witness is it really impossible for that sound to be mistaken for Leung by you?

Witness: It is not impossible.

Answering a further question, witness said that if "Leung" had been mentioned he might put the initials "T.K." down although they might not have been mentioned by the witness in the original hearing.

Mr. Lo then said that he thought it was right to tell Mr. Grantham that it had already been given in evidence that there was, in fact, a man named Young employed by the Bureau for a few days about the time the defalcations were alleged to have occurred and that man had been paid the sum of \$5 which had been traced in the books. Referring to the evidence as taken down by Mr. Grantham, Mr. Lo pointed out that, according to the depositions, Chan Hin-po had denied the existence of a T. K. Leung, in cross-examination he again denied it and then in re-examination he was claimed to have said that T. K. Leung had been engaged by the Bureau for a few days.

Bearing those facts in mind Mr. Lo asked Mr. Grantham whether he did not think that the last reference to T. K. Leung in re-examination was not actually a reference to the person who had been engaged for a few days.

Mr. Grantham replied that he could not say.

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EXPORTERS' DISPUTE WITH CANTON.**DISSATISFACTION WITH THE TESTING BUREAU.**

The dispute between Chinese exporters in Hongkong and the Agricultural and Mineral Products' Testing Bureau of Canton, which at one time threatened to develop into a Hongkong exporters' boycott against Canton, was discussed at the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. Mr. Li Yick-mui, the chairman, presided at the meeting.

The Secretary (Mr. Chan Heung-puk) read letters from Nam Pak Hong firms which explained that, with the establishment at Canton of the Testing Bureau, the latter had empowered the management of the Chung Wah Company, of Hongkong, to perform the duty of examining the goods—principally preserved maritime goods. Chinese exporters contended that the testing procedure was tedious, resulting in delays in the transportation of goods.

A letter from the management of the Chung Wah Company explained that they had been appointed by the Canton Government to act as the Hongkong agent of the Testing Bureau. They contended that the methods, which were partly suggested by the exporters, were simple and easy to comply with.

The Chairman of the Chamber said that he understood that the management of the Chung Wah Company had had an interview with the officials at the S.C.A. and that he was now waiting for the outcome of the negotiations between the Chung Wah Company and the Chinese exporters.

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London, Nov. 18.

The trial has opened at the Old Bailey of the financier Francis Lorang.

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Lorang pleaded "not guilty."

[Francis Lorang, chairman of the Bluebird petrol companies, was committed for trial on August 7 on a charge of fraudulent conversion, totalling £317,000, and of issuing a false report on Bluebird Petrol, Limited, whose failure caused sensation in the City in May last year. Lorang was arrested in France, where he was recognised by a detective, and was extradited last June.]

London, Nov. 18.

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BRITISH ENGINES FOR THE DO-X.

BETTER PERFORMANCE FROM REARRANGEMENT.

London, Nov. 18. It is reported that now British engines are to replace the engines already installed in the big German flying-boat DO-X.

It is understood that Doctor Dornier negotiated while in England last week for the equipment of eight 900 horse-power Rolls Royce engines. The DO-X has at present twelve 600 horse-power engines, and Dr. Dornier calculates that by removing two pairs of tandem engines there will be an increased performance by reason of lessened resistance.—*British Wireless*.

BANDITS ROB TRAIN.

FURTHER DETAILS OF LOOT AT KUANGTSUN.

Peking, Nov. 18. Further details of the attack on the Peking-Suiyuan train show that 700 bandits at first seized the small station at Kuangtsun which they looted of the railway funds

FAMINE RELIEF IN CHINA.

BIG IRRIGATION SCHEME FOR SHENSI.

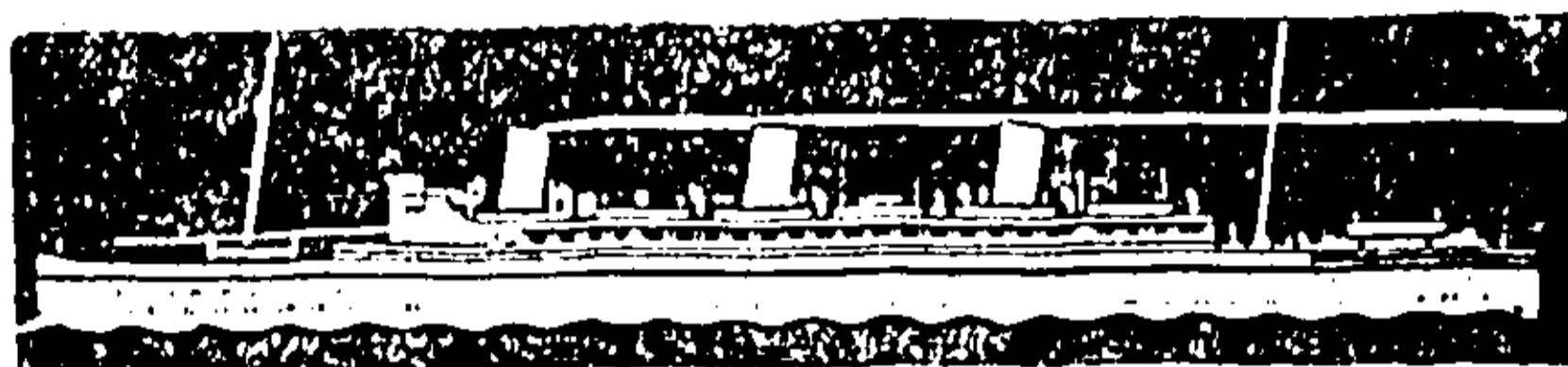
Peking, Nov. 18. The China International Famine Relief Commission to-day announced the undertaking of a huge new irrigation project in Shensi, to cost Mex. \$900,000.

The Commission's engineers will divert the waters of the King-ho, twenty-five miles north-west of Shensi, thereby watering an area of 100,000 acres.

It is interesting to note that an ancient irrigation scheme, more than a thousand years old, formerly watered this area, but gradually fell into disuse. However, traces of it are still visible, and it is proposed again to dig the old canals.—*Reuter*.

and kidnapped some of the station staff. They then surrounded the train and went through all the passenger luggage taking everything of value and all the mails. They also carried off a number of Chinese passengers for ransom.

So far as is known at the present time there were no foreigners on the train. *Reuter*.



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AN INDO-CHINA TRIP.

INTERESTING LECTURE AT HELENA MAY.

An interesting talk on "A holiday in Indo-China" was given to an appreciative audience by Mr. T. J. Price at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening, under the chairmanship of the Rev. W. T. Featherstone. The lecture was accompanied by the showing of a series of excellent lantern slides taken by the Rev. Mr. Armstrong, who was Mr. Price's companion on the trip.

The couple started from Hanoi and travelled to Dongha by train, after which they struck across the jungle towards the east coast of Indo-China, where they came to the River Mekong. Down this river they travelled to Phnompenh, the capital of Cambodia, and turned west to Angkor, through the Great Lake.

The speaker, whose method of address was extremely easy to listen to and understand, dwelt on numerous interesting incidents of the trip, dealing in particular with the journey across the jungle from Dongha to the east coast, a two-day trip by motor lorry along a recently made road to the Mekong River. Much interesting bird and animal life was noticed in this section, and they came into contact with pure aborigines.

Mr. Price also greatly interested his audience with pictures and comments on the early history of Angkor, its mysterious origin, its destruction, and the reason for its desertion enabling the jungle to grow over it.

At the conclusion, the lecturer was thanked for his address by the chairman, those present heartily applauding.

CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

MO TEH-HUI SAYS HE WAS MISREPRESENTED.

Nanking, Nov. 18.

It is stated in official quarters that Gen. Mo Teh-hui, who is the Chinese delegate to the Moscow conference, has sent a letter to Karakhan protesting against Karakhan's recent note.

Mo Teh-hui says he was misrepresented by Karakhan, as he agreed to the "maintenance of the status quo" of the Chinese Eastern Railway in accordance with the Peking and Mukden Sino-Russian agreements relative to the C.E.R., not to the maintenance of the present *status quo* of the railway.—*Reuter*.

It was reported from Moscow on November 11 that M. Karakhan had sent a letter to the Chinese representative, Mo Teh-hui, stating that conditions in Manchuria were now such that the terms of the Khabarovsk Protocol may be regarded as fulfilled, and there was no longer any obstacle to the opening of discussions on concrete questions regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway and trade and diplomatic relations. Karakhan trusted that with a view to creating a firm basis for friendly Sino-Soviet relations, the Chinese Republic would accept the proposal to open negotiations.]

The Committee hopes to clear \$2,000 when all expenses are paid, which sum will be handed over to the Kowloon Branch of the Helena May Institute.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Guy Fawkes Carnival.
[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—We shall be most grateful if you will give the Committee of the Guy Fawkes Carnival Fete in aid of the Helena May Institute (Kowloon Branch) funds sufficient space in your paper in which to thank all those friends who helped to make the Fete such a success.

We are grateful to Lady Peel for so kindly opening the Fete, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax for speaking on behalf of the Committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club for lending the grounds, and the Committee of the 2nd Bt. Punjabis for lending their Pipers and Drums, to Mr. R. M. Dyer, C.B.E., for permitting Mr. Jenner to help on the Committee and for the loan of "The Human Seal" and the Chinese Divers, to Commander Morris R. N. H.M.S. "Tamar," to Mrs. Capell & her pupils, to the Lilliputians, to the following who gave donations:—

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It is very much regretted that Miss E. Rogers, the American Secretary to the Commission, was taken ill with fever a few days before the Fete and was unable to be present on the day.

Miss R. Wong nobly came to our help and saw Miss Rogers' work through.

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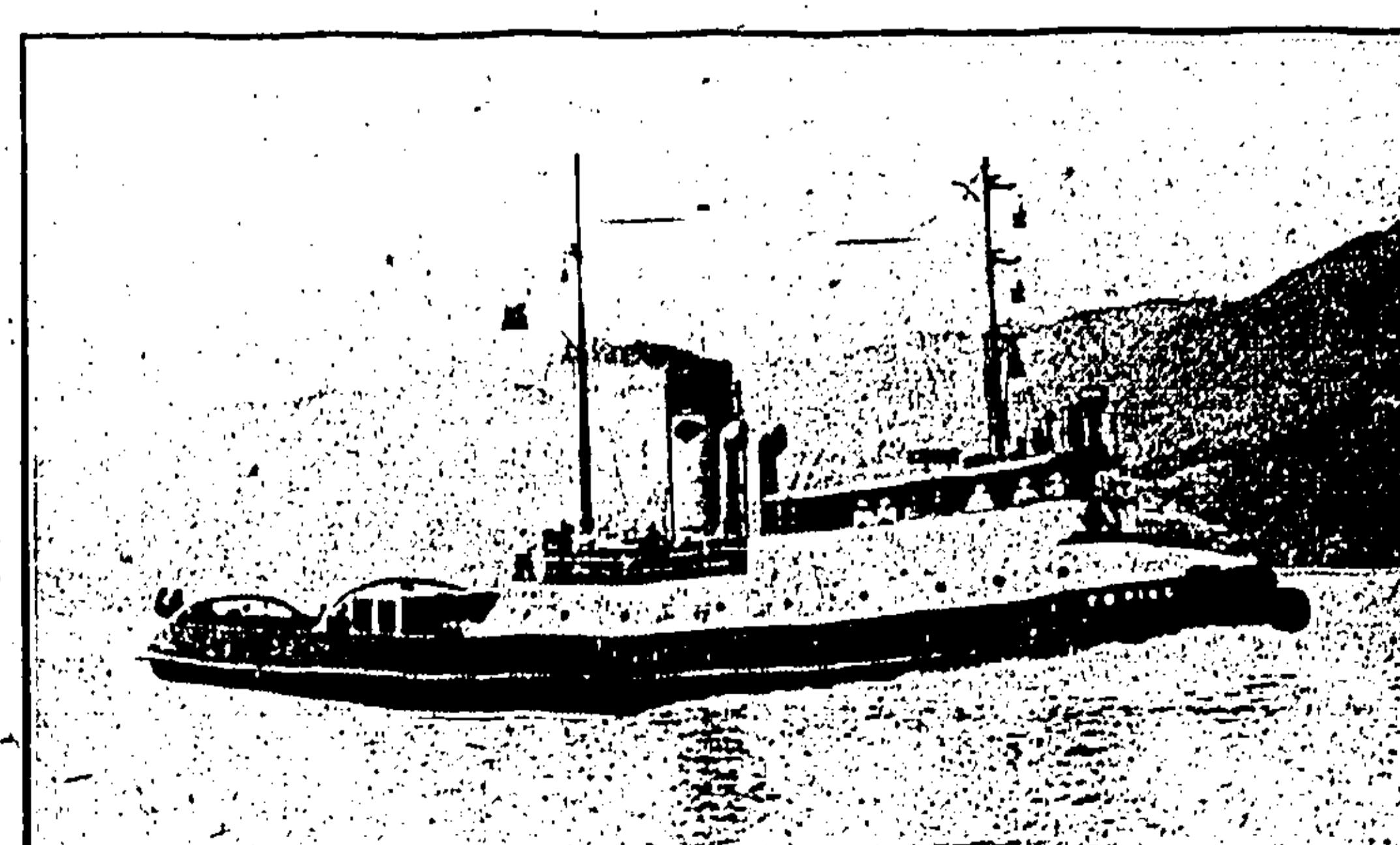
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Benjamin Gigli-Tenor, 1213.

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Samson d'Ullin-Mon Coeur S'ouvre a la Voix (Saint-Saens).

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A WARM WELCOME.

Paying his first return visit to H.E. Sir William Peel, the Governor of Macao, G.E. Senhor Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa), and his wife, arrived in Hongkong on the Portuguese gunboat Patria, this morning. They will be guests at Government House until tomorrow, when they are due to leave on the Asama Maru for Shanghai.

The Patria arrived shortly after noon, and Senhor and Madame Barbosa stepped ashore at Queen's Pier, which was gay with bunting and flags. They were met by H.E. Sir William and Lady Peel, and many officials. After the formalities and inspection of Argyle Guard of Honour, they were driven to Government House for tillin, the cars being escorted by members of the motor-cycle section of the Defence Corps.

Also on Queen's Pier were H.E. Major-General Sandilands, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Hon. Dr. Wellington, Hon. Mr. J. Oxon Hughes, Hon. G. M. McLean, Messrs. Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, Messrs. N. L. Smith, G. P. Sayer, Duarfa de la Prado (Consul General for France), V. L. Correia de Albuquerque (Castro) (Consul General for Portugal), T. M. Hazelrigg, E. W. Hamilton, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Webb, Squadron Leader Freeman, Capt. A. H. Walker (Commodore), Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Captain Cameron and Mr. G. W. A. Tufton (Private Secretary to His Excellency).

AUSTRALIANS' GREAT RECEPTION.

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWDS AT PERTH.

Perth, Oct. 28.

The Australian cricketers arrived from England here today and were enthusiastically welcomed by thousands of cricket fans. They were given a civic reception.

Bradman was naturally the idol, but the speakers seemed studious to avoid letting all the spot-light fall on him.

Woodfull stated that England will not be as difficult to beat in 1932 as many have thought. The members of the team think Woodfull should be captain of the Australian team which will go to England in 1933.

LOCAL RADIO.

CHANGE IN PROGRAMME FOR TO-NIGHT.

We are asked to state that from 8.15 to 9 p.m. to day Mr. Harry Ore will give a piano forte recital at the Broadcasting Studio. Owing to unforeseen circumstances the Misses Braga and Mr. J. Braga are unable to perform. Mr. Ore's programme is:

1. Caprice, Gluck, Saint-Saens.
2. (a) Scherzo No. 1, Chopin.
3. (b) Nocturne No. 7.
4. (c) Macao Lullaby (By request).
5. (d) Overture, William Tell, Rossini-Liszt.

EGYPTIAN COTTON RESTRICTION.

SAKELLARIDES LIMITED TO 40 PER CENT.

Cairo, Nov. 18.

The Government has decided to restrict the cultivation of safflower to forty per cent. of the total cotton area for the next three years.—Reuter.

JAPANESE PREMIER.

MAKING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

Tokyo, Nov. 19.

Owing to Mr. Hamaguchi's satisfactory progress, no further official broadcast will be issued.

It is hoped that he will have recovered sufficiently to attend the Diet after the New Year recess.—Reuter.

FORGED \$100 NOTE.

PASSED AT SILK STORE.

A customer who called at the Savalana Silk Store yesterday left a \$100 bill for goods purchased, which was afterwards discovered to be a forgery. The case has been reported to the Police.

NEW BATTALION ARRIVES.

THE SOUTH WALES BORDERERS.

BRING GOOD SPORTS RECORD FROM EGYPT.

REPLACE SOMERSETS.

To replace the Somersets, the 1st Battalion of the South Wales Borderers arrived in the Colony early to-day, and the morning was occupied in transporting its personnel and equipment to the Mount Austin, Murray, Victoria and Wellington Barracks.

For nearly three years it has been stationed in Egypt, and the voyage to Hongkong was undertaken in the new troopship Lancashire. Calls were made at Bombay, Colombo and Singapore, but the trip was without incident.

The 1st Battalion is the old 24th Foot, with the badge, The Sphinx, superscribed "Egypt." The regiment has an imposing array of battle honours, and raised 18 battalions during the Great War, for service on various fronts. H. R. H. the Prince of Wales is the Colonel-in-Chief and General Sir Alexander Cobbe, V.C., is the Colonel.

Colonel and Officers.

commanding the Battalion is Lieut.-Col. R. F. Gross, D.S.O., who has served with distinction in the South African and Great Wars. Born in 1879, he was in South Africa from 1900 to 1902 and was mentioned in despatches. He saw service during the Great War from 1914 to 1917, was mentioned in despatches and awarded the D.S.O. O.

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In addition to impressive battle honours, the Battalion also has a creditable record on the sports field, and can send out a particularly formidable "Rugby" team. At home it won the Army Cup for four successive years, and secured the Egyptian Cup two years ago.

Last year the troops were ordered to Palestine on account of the trouble there, and this interfered with their sports programme.

The Battalion's "Soccer" eleven was runner-up in the Command Cup in Egypt and the Borderers can also field a strong hockey side, while they have also entered a water-polo team in competitions in Egypt.

The Lancashire is a boat of about 10,000 tons register, and was constructed in 1917 by Messrs. Bibby and Sons. She has been engaged for trooping duties only this season, and her accommodation is reputed to offer more comfort than has hitherto been possible, at any rate so far as trooping deck passengers are concerned.

Somersetts Encamped.

The 1st Bn. Somerset Light Infantry have been busy these last few days, packing up stores and erecting barracks, and are now encamped for the most part on the parade-ground of Murray Barracks, where a cluster of tents and marquees has sprung up.

The Somersets, who depart early next week, have been giving farewell entertainments during the week-end, and a dance at Wellington Barracks, in the Garrison Lecture Hall was well attended. On Sunday evening, the regimental band, under the baton of Mr. E. J. Woolcott, gave a farewell concert on the tennis courts at Wellington Barracks, whilst on Monday evening the members of the Sergeant's Mess gave an enjoyable smoking concert that was well-conducted and organised. In every way, and many guests spent some happy hours.

STABILISING SUGAR.

AMERICAN INVESTIGATOR SAILING FOR EUROPE.

New York, Nov. 18.

Mr. Chadbourne, the author of the plan for the stabilisation of the Cuban sugar industry, sailed on Thursday to attend a conference of European sugar producers in an attempt to work out a worldwide stabilisation plan.—Reuters.

PRISON FOR "CAT" BURGLAR.

HAUL FROM EUROPEAN'S BEDROOM.

CLIMBED SCAFFOLD.

Pleading guilty before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, to the stealing a suit, a serge jacket; a serge waist-coat; a pair of trousers, and \$1.05 in Hongkong currency, the property of Mr. Chadwick, of No. 1, Wing Lok Buildings, Nathan Road, on November 4, and a gold wrist watch and gold collar stud, the property of Mr. Read, of the same address, a Chinese was sent to gaol.

Detective Sergeant Humphreys said defendant was a regular "cat" burglar. He had climbed up scaffolding in front of the house, and had entered the bedroom in which complainants were sleeping. The money and the collar stud had not been recovered.

Mr. Butters imposed a four-month sentence on each charge, to run concurrently.

Fong Sui-tso was charged with unlawful possession of the stolen suit.

Sergeant Humphreys wished to withdraw the charge. He was of opinion that defendant did not know the suit was stolen and he had given the police assistance in the arrest of the first defendant.

Mr. Butters granted the application for withdrawal.

PLENARY SESSION CONCLUDES.

DISBANDMENT CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

Shanghai, Nov. 18.

Attended by over seven hundred prominent members of the Nationalist Government, the Fourth Kuomintang Plenary Session had its final meeting this afternoon when the proceedings were presided over by Mr. Yu Yu-jen. At the conclusion of the meeting Marshal Chiang Kai-shek delivered a speech announcing the formal close of the session.

The proposal of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek for a session of the Disbandment Conference, which had been scheduled for to-day, has been indefinitely postponed. It is understood that the Nanking and Manchurian leaders have reached an understanding concerning the disbandment of the Kuomintang and Shensi armies.

In view of the Soviet pressure on the Manchurian frontier and prospect of another deadlock at the Moscow Conference, General Chiang has complied with the majority of the Nanking proposal, hence the postponement of the Disbandment Conference.

Nanking, Nov. 18.

The Fourth Plenary Session today elected Marshal Chiang Kai-shek as chairman of the Executive Yuan and Yu Yu-jen as chairman of the Control Yuan.

Madame Chang Hsueh-liang arrived this morning from Tientsin; and it is believed the Young Marshal will be leaving soon for Shanghai and Hangchow, from where he may sail northwards by gunboat.—Reuter.

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STALL ON CROWN LAND.

CARPENTER FINED AT THE POLICE COURT.

Whatever excuse is that? What right have you to occupy Government land to make hawkers' stalls, to make collins or anything?" asked Mr. Lindsell, a carpenter of Hennessy Road, on the man's appearance at the Central Magistrate on a summons for occupying Crown land without permission.

The defendant, in reply to the summons, said he was making hawkers' stalls for the Police Department and had left them on Crown land pending their delivery.

Mr. R. E. Stott informed his Worship that the defendant had been warned some time ago against leaving the stalls on Crown land, but he had taken no notice. If he were making the stalls for the police he would probably get a permit at a nominal fee.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$20 and made an order for the removal of the stalls from Crown land within a week.

HOBBS & SUTCLIFFE IN INDIA.

BRILLIANT PARTNERSHIP AT ALLAHABAD.

Cuttack, Nov. 9.

Playing for the Maharaj Kumar of Vizianagram's XI against Allahabad, Hobbs scored 100 not out and Sutcliffe was run out after compiling 93.

The Maharaj'a XI won by ten wickets.



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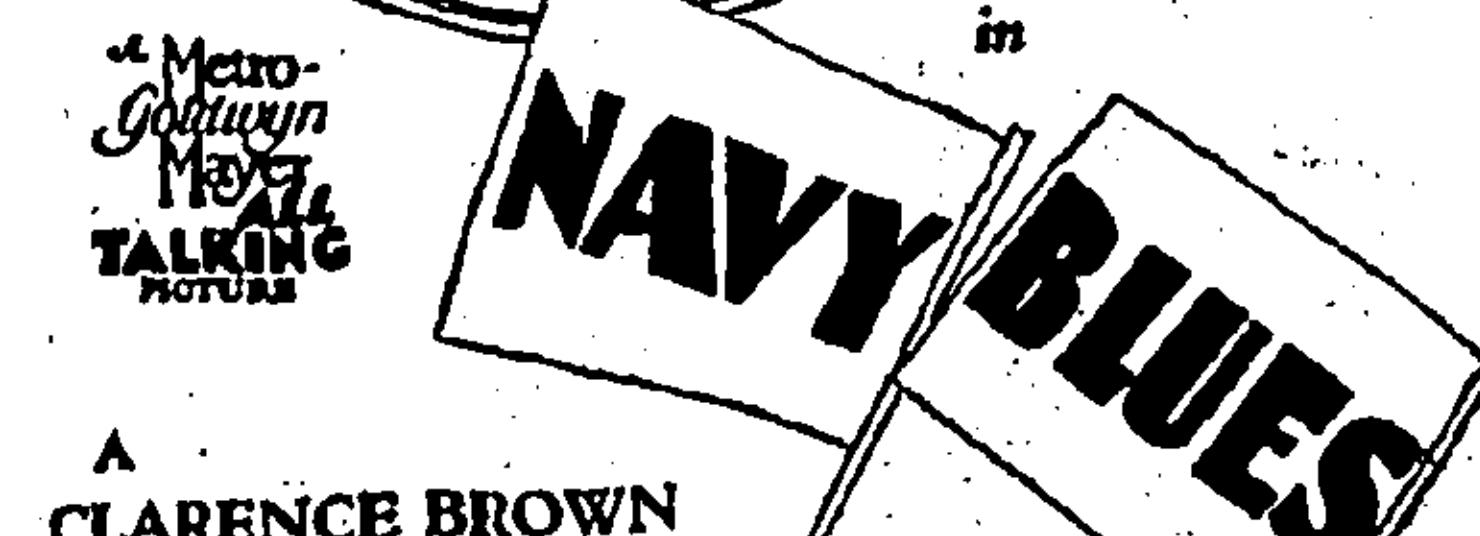


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